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## CONDEMNED FISH.

### Board of Health Took Hand at T Wharf Yesterday.

#### Haddock from Sch. Harmony Called Unfit To Sell.

Some little excitement was occasioned on T wharf, Boston, yesterday afternoon, when inspectors of the board of health condemned a portion of the trip of sch. Harmony, which arrived Wednesday from Georges after being out nearly four weeks. The schooner encountered severe weather on the fishing grounds and was compelled to remain out longer than usual, and consequently some of her fish were nearly three weeks old when she reached port. These however, would have been sold for splitting purposes had not the representative of the board of health pronounced them unfit to sell.

One of the dealers protested and telephoned the board. Two inspectors visited the wharf and they at once condemned about 8000 pounds of haddock and cod, and it was loaded into a cart and taken to the dump despite the protests of the captain and some of the dealers, who declared that a mistake had been made. The inspectors said the fish was unfit to eat even if it was put through the process of smoking.

Salt trawl bank codfish, \$4.50 for large, \$4.00 for medium, \$2.75 for snappers.

Newfoundland salt herring, in bulk, \$4.50 per bbl.

Newfoundland salt herring, barrelled, \$5.75 per bbl.

Shore frozen herring, for bait, \$2.50 to \$3.50 per cwt.

Fresh halibut, 12 cents per lb for white and 8 cents for gray.

#### Boston.

Sch. Mertis H. Perry, 5500 haddock, 200 cod.

Sch. Motor, 500 haddock, 9000 cod.

Sch. Olive F. Hutchings, 6900 haddock, 1000 cod, 3000 hake, 2000 cusk, 500 pollock.

Sch. Carrie F. Roberts, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Venus, 2500 cod.

Haddock, \$1.25 to \$3.25; large cod, \$3.75 to \$4.75; market cod, \$2.50 to \$3; hake, \$3.50 to \$5.50; cusk, \$2; pollock, \$3.50.

## FAR FROM HOPEFUL.

### Present Prospects of National Dog Fish Legislation.

#### EFFORTS, HOWEVER, BEING MADE

#### Congressman Gardner with Public Duties Has Strenuous Time.

(Special to the Times)

Washington, D. C., Jan. 18, 1906.—Congressman Tirrell is still at work in endeavoring to persuade the committee on merchant marine and fisheries of the necessity of having a hearing on the dogfish bill, although up to this time has not been successful. The only way in which it will be possible to get the committee to do anything on the matter from present appearance is to have the Maine fishermen who are interested in the project turned loose on Congressman Littlefield of that state. The latter is a member of the committee, and with continual nagging from the Maine people, may be able to accomplish something in the way of a hearing.

The Newburyport fishermen have become active in the matter and have petitioned Congressman Gardner to assist in every way possible in the matter, which the latter will do.

Gen. Grosvenor of Ohio, one of the big three of the house, is chairman of the committee, and up to date has refused to take any interest in the bill. The chances, therefore, of anything being accomplished at this session are far from hopeful.

According to the official register recently published by the United States government, the best paying position in the Sixth Massachusetts congressional district so far as the United States government is concerned, is the collector of customs at Gloucester, the salary last year being approximately \$5000. The postmasterships at Haverhill and Salem comes next, with \$3200, followed by Gloucester with \$3100. Besides Gloucester, there are three other collectors of customs in the sixth district, Salem, Marblehead and Newburyport, but the salary of the collector at each place is very small, not averaging in the largest instance over \$800 per annum.

The past week has been by far the busiest experienced by Congressman Gardner since his election as the Representatives from the sixth Massachusetts district four years ago next November. As the captain expressed it to a party of newspaper correspondents in his room yesterday, it is as strenuous as his first campaign for congress.

Among the prominent duties which he has been called upon to perform since last Saturday have been the following:

On Saturday he addressed the house on the subject of free hides and sole leather.

On Monday presided at a meeting of the committee on industrial arts and expositions, at which time a thorough discussion and investigation was made of the needs in the way of government aid of the proposed Jamestown exposition.

On Tuesday he attended a meeting of the committee on immigration, of which he is a member, all the forenoon, his bill increasing the head-tax on immigrants coming into this country from \$2 to \$40 being under consideration.

After the adjournment of the house on that day he spent the evening with Capt. Edward Morris of Gloucester in refreshing his memory on the Frederick Gerring case about which Capt. Morris is at present in Washington.

On Wednesday he appeared with a delegation of Haverhill men representing the board of trade of that city before the board of reviews of the corps of engineers, who listened to additional evidence with regard to the 14-foot channel desired by the Haverhill people for the Merrimac river.

After the adjournment of the house on that day, another long session was held with Capt. Morris, preparing the evidence for presentation to Secretary Root.

On Thursday at 10.30 o'clock, he appeared before the house committee on labor, in support of the child labor resolution, drawn by Gov. Guild and introduced by Mr. Gardner, and spoke at some length in support of this resolution, which provides that an investigation be made with regard to child labor in the different states of the Union with a view to enacting a national child labor law similar to the one now in operation in Massachusetts.

On Friday he had an audience with Capt. Morris before Secretary of State Root, when the entire evidence in the Frederick Gerring case was laid before the secretary. The latter has become much interested in this celebrated case and after mastering the details will have the matter reopened with a view to ascertaining whether or not something cannot be done for the relief of the Gloucester skipper.

All this was in addition to the routine work of attending to a mail of 50 letters a day, seeing numerous visitors, and the ordinary work of attending the sessions of the house.

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#### Herring Notes.

Sch. Ingomar will go to New York with her cargo of frozen herring.

The fare of the British sch. Willis G. will be put in the freezer of the Gloucester Cold Storage Co. The vessel is under charter to Cunningham & Thompson.

Sch. W. E. Morrissey from Bay of Islands, N. F., for this port with a cargo of frozen herring, cleared from Louisburg, C. B., on Thursday.

Sch. Edna Belle from Bay of Islands for Halifax, with 400 bbls. frozen herring, arrived at Louisburg, and sch. Maggie M. W., Bay of Islands for Halifax with 427 barrels of frozen herring, cleared from Louisburg the same day.

## MARKET DOGFISH.

### U. S. Fish Commission Has Scheme To Check Pest.

#### Report Gives Unfavorable Showing in Lobster Fishery.

A despatch from Washington yesterday says that the United States fish commission has devised a scheme to hold the destructive dogfish in check on the New England coast, where they cause annually thousands of dollars of loss in the lobster industry. It is suggested that their skins make a good polishing leather; that the liver gives a good oil; that the fins yield a considerable quantity of glue, and that the flesh which is eaten in Europe is an excellent food.

"Find a market for the dogfish," says Commissioner Bowers, "and they will be eliminated."

The annual report of the fisheries bureau says that the lobster industry is still on the decline on the New England coast, particularly in Massachusetts. Only extensive cultural operations can arrest it, is the decision of the experts. An appropriation is asked to make experiments in the propagation of lobsters on the Pacific coast. The report says that the work of establishing oyster beds on the Maine coast, which has so far been a failure, will be continued.

## DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

### Today's Fish Market.

These prices are based on the last known sales.

Salt handline Georges codfish, \$5.25 per cwt. for large, \$4.25 for medium.

Salt trawl Georges codfish, \$5 for large, \$4 for medium.

Salt hake, \$1.75

Salt haddock, \$1.75.

Salt cusk, \$2.50.



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**DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.**

**To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.**

Sch. Olga, [Georges' 55,000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Sch. Dictator, Georges, 50,000 lbs. fresh fish.

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Newfoundland salt herring, in bulk, \$4.50 per bbl.  
Newfoundland salt herring, barrelled, \$5.75 per bbl.  
Shore frozen herring, for bait, \$2.50 to \$3.50 per cwt.  
Fresh halibut, 12 cents per lb for white and 8 cents for gray.

**Boston.**

Sch. Maryland, 45,000 haddock.  
Sch. Fame, 55,000 haddock.  
Sch. Slade Gorton, 40,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 1000 cusk.  
Sch. George E. Lane, Jr., 2000 haddock, 8000 cod.  
Sch. Lillian, 24,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 4000 hake.  
Sch. Rose Dorothea, 20,000 haddock, 5000 cod.  
Sch. Tartar, 15,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 2000 hake.  
Sch. Alice M. Guthrie, 12,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 3000 hake.  
Sch. Hope, 10,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1000 hake.  
Sch. Quickstep, 3000 haddock.  
Sch. Henrietta G. Martin, 7000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2000 hake.  
Sch. Yakima, 38,000 haddock, 500 cod.  
Sch. [Mary C. Santos, 45,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 1700 hake.  
Sch. Philip P. Manta, 10,000 haddock, 12,000 cod.  
Sch. Arcadia, 50,000 cod.  
Sch. Emily Cooney, 9000 haddock, 2500 cod.  
Sch. Mina Swim, 18,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 6000 hake.  
Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 10,000 haddock.  
Sch. Robert and Arthur, 45,000 haddock, 1000 cod.  
Sch. Seaconnet, 25,000 haddock.  
Sch. Mary A. Gleason, 2000 haddock, 400 cod, 500 hake.  
Sch. Margaret Dillon, 8000 haddock, 500 cod, 1000 hake.  
Sch. Gracie, 2000 cod.  
Sch. Aloha frozen herring, via Gloucester.  
Sch. Bertha M. Bailey, 4000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1000 hake.  
Sch. John M. Keen, 8500 haddock, 500 cod, 500 hake.  
Haddock, \$1 to \$2.50; large cod, \$5; market cod, \$2.50 to \$4.75; hake, \$2.50 to \$6; cusk, \$2; pollock, \$3.50.

**Herring Notes.**

The frozen herring fares of schs. Arkona and Willis C. have been sold to the Gloucester Cold Storage Co.

The fare of sch. Aloha has been sold to Boston parties and the schooner was towed there yesterday. The cargo will be put in the freezer.

Sch. Independence II., bound for Philadelphia with her cargo of frozen herring, passed the South Shoal lightship Saturday forenoon at 10 o'clock, being reported by wireless.

The British sch. Wera is bound to this port from Bay of Islands, N. F., with a cargo of frozen herring.

Some herring are now reported at Fortune Bay, N. F.

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**AT MAINADIEU.**

**Canadian Government To Establish Dogfish Reduction Plant.**

It is rumored on apparently good authority that the Canadian government will start the building of a dogfish reduction plant at Mainadieu, C. B., in the early spring. The erection of such a plant would be a great help to the fishermen along the eastern and southern end of Cape Breton. The dogfish have become such a pest that the fishermen are getting discouraged and are moving to the mines and other districts.

Ten years ago the little fishing hamlet of Mainadieu sent to the market at Halifax between eight and ten thousand quintals of fish, whereas in the fishing season of 1905 not more than 700 quintals were shipped. This result is largely due to the depredations of dogfish. The people at Mainadieu are rejoicing at the prospects of the government lending assistance.

**A Fishermen's Snug Harbor.**

The suggestion has been made by the Gloucester (Mass.) Times for the establishment of a Fishermen's Snug Harbor to provide for the maintenance of deep-sea fishermen when old age prevents them from following their calling. There is no class of wage earners who work harder or brave more perils in the pursuit of their calling than the deep-sea fishermen of Gloucester and vicinity, while the remuneration is frequently entirely out of proportion to the labor performed. Of course such an institution would need the backing of those having the means to start it right, in fact, as the Times says, it needs men and women deeply imbued with the spirit to help out these veterans of the sea, because they really believe that they are justly entitled to be cared for at a time of life when it is impossible for them to continue as all the year round fishermen.

In passing the suggestion of the Times along, we hope it may reach the eye of some sufficiently fond of deep-sea food and possessed of the means to investigate the conditions, with a view to taking up this work, which would be a worthy one.—New York Marine Journal.

**IN HEAVY NORTHEAST GALE.**

**Had Hard Work To Save the Spars on Sch. Mary G Powers.**

Capt. Thomas Somers of this port, who commands the Boston haddockery Mary G. Powers, which arrived at T wharf Saturday with her foremasthead gone, reports that they had hard work after the accident happened to save the spars from going over the side.

The accident happened last Saturday, while the vessel was fishing on the southeast part of Georges in a heavy northeasterly gale. Capt. Somers set his crew securing both masts with supporters, so as to prevent the spars from toppling over. It was no easy job, however, as the men had to use the utmost caution in order to save themselves from being washed overboard.

They first managed to secure the foremast with straps attached to the jibstay, and afterward rigged blocks to the foremast head. Finally they led the stay over by tackle, which was made secure after a fashion. But it was only by careful nursing of the vessel that she was brought home without rolling both masts out of her. In order to take the weight off the mainmast, a storm trysail was set in place of the mainsail and the foresail was reefed most of the time.

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**PURE FOOD BILL.**

**Will Engage Attention of Senate This Week.**

**Con. Gardner Has Amendment Regarding Use of Borax.**

A Washington despatch to the Boston Advertiser says that the senate had adjourned again until today, when the pure food bill will have the right of way again. The members of the bodies have changed their tactics somewhat this year in regard to the bill. During the past three congresses Congressman Hepburn, chairman of the house committee on interstate and foreign commerce, has been successful in securing the passage of the bill through the committee, but it has always been held up in the house. This year the managers has started the bill in the senate and hope to get it through that body early in the present session.

The Gloucester fish packers are interested in that portion of the bill which prohibits the using of borax as a preservative. In the 57th and 58th congresses Congressman Gardner was successful in having an amendment attached to the bill in the house which exempted the fish packers from injury by the bill. The amendment provides that the preceding item prohibiting the use of borax as a preservative shall not apply where the preservative is removed mechanically or otherwise before using.

As it is necessary to soak the codfish put up in Gloucester before it can be used to remove the salt, it is therefore claimed that the soaking removes from the codfish any injurious substances which may be contained in the preservative.

Congressman Gardner is now endeavoring to have this same amendment attached to the bill which is now being considered in the senate.

**TRYING DRAG TRAWL.**

**English Invention Given Test by Steamer Pet.**

The English drag or net trawl, which was brought here by its inventor, Capt. Rippon of Hull, England, and which was given a short trial by Capt. Solomon Jacobs in Ipswich bay recently with a small gasoline launch, is now being given a more thorough test. The steamer Pet has been fitted out under command of Capt. Patrick Marr, and sailed for the shore grounds to give the apparatus a regular trial. The Pet started once before with the net, but on account of some mishap to her boiler was obliged to return for some repairs.

**MET HEAVY GALE.**

**Sch. Arabia at North Sydney with Sails Torn.**

Sch. Arabia of this port, bound home from Bay of Islands with a fare of frozen herring, encountered a very heavy gale in the Gulf of St. Lawrence last week and put into North Sydney, C. B. Saturday. Capt. Seeley telegraphed that some of her sails were torn and her steering gear damaged.